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I am pleased to send greetings to everyone, both individuals and groups, taking part in the Government Computer Expo '86. Please convey my greetings as well to the 100,000 and more Federal, State and local government personnel your organizations represent.

Every schoolchild knows that computers are changing the face of America, its industries, the professional and private lives of its citizens, and, of course, government institutions at every level. Because computer technology is sprinting ahead at dizzying speed, thanks largely to advancing computer technology, it is essential that those who need computers to carry out their work keep abreast of developments and innovations. This is especially true in government, where the conduct of business involves the public trust and demands a high level of efficiency and reliability. I am very happy, therefore, that organizations like the Federation of Government Information Processing Councils, the Information Resources Administration Councils, the National Association for State Information Systems, and the Graduate School of the Department of Agriculture are taking such an active interest in Government Computer Expo '86.

Nancy joins me in wishing you a constructive, informative, and enjoyable session. God bless you.

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1620 ELTON ROAD SILVER SPRING, MD 20903 (301) 445-4400 Dear Federal Executive:

Government Computer Expo (GCE86) is accepting nominations for our 1986 scholarship awards. These scholarships are available to employees of Federal, state, or local government at or below the GS-9 or equivalent. They will be awarded to personnel who are pursuing an undergraduate degree while making significant contributions toward improving the use of information technology in government activities.

The GCE scholarships were established to recognize and encourage personal resourcefulness, improve the effectiveness and efficiency of information technology use in government. If you would like to nominate someone, or know of someone who is deserving of this honor, please contact Edward Forsee of the GCE Scholarship Committee, Department of Interior, (202) 343-6051.

Government Computer Expo is designed to meet your need for effective training in this era of reduced budgets. It is the largest, the most comprehensive, and the only five day Conference designed and sponsored by government information processing professionals-for the government ADP and computer user community.

The GCE86 theme is "Getting the Most From Today's Technology", and all sessions have been carefully structured to present practical strategies for performing real-life agency applications — and for getting the most from your computer dollar investment. The Expo will be held July 14-18 at the conveniently located Sheraton Washington Hotel in Washington, D.C.

Sponsoring GCE86 are 1) the Federation of Government Information Processing Councils (FGIPC); 2) the Information Resources Administration Councils (IRAC); 3) the Graduate School — USDA; and 4) the National Association for State Information Systems. They have been joined by **30** cooperating societies and organizations, including NBS, the GSA-IRM Institute, and OPM, to offer an educational experience which will help you and your staff achieve agency automation and productivity goals.

The GCE86 Conference program consists of three days of full-day intensive sessions: July 14 — six **Professional Development** seminars for ADP professionals; July 15 — six **Management Briefings**; and July 18 — six **Microcomputer Applications** workshops for managers and users. On July 16-17, the six track **Conference** focuses on new ideas methodologies and solutions in the major areas identified by the distinguished members of the GCE86 Advisory Board.

Please take the time to study the enclosed brochure and pass them along to members of your staff who would benefit from attending GCE86. If you need more brochures call Ken Fields at (301) 445-4400; FTS users call (202) 445-4400.

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